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SESSION 1888.

**REPORTS OF THE
GRAND OFFICERS**

AND COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

With an Appendix containing the Reports of
the Deputies.

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REPORT

—OF THE—

GRAND COMMANDER.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Legion of Ontario,
Select Knights of the A. O. U. W.*

COMRADES,—Once more it is my privilege to meet you in annual convention and I express the hope that the Divine Presence may be with us and guide us in our deliberations, for be assured if His blessing does not accompany our work, I fear our labors will be in vain.

Before submitting my Annual Report of the work done under my administration it is right and proper that I should offer a few words in connection with the seeming opposition of a few Legions to *my action* in regard to the postponement of Grand Legion Session. While I accept the full responsibility of what was done, still I feel that I was but carrying out the expressed wish of an almost unanimous desire of the Legions of this jurisdiction, as only seven out of 72 Legions reported adversely to the postponement. I think I have not far to look for the real cause of most of the opposition to my action in regard to the postponement. It comes from a deep-rooted and determined aversion to our Grand Recorder in certain quarters and the real merits of the question and the good of the Order have, I fear, been overshadowed by that feeling.

As your Chief Executive Officer I desire here and now to say that a more painstaking and efficient officer than him cannot be found. Two years ago when rumor was busy making all kinds of insinuations against the administration of your finances Grand Legion very wisely appointed a committee to investigate the matter. That committee, after a careful examination of all the accounts, reported the finances as correct. As that report has been printed and sent to every Legion it is not necessary for me to refer further to it.

The whole controversy arose as follows: On, or about, February 18th last Comrade MacWatt, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, submitted to me three documents.

DOCUMENT NO. 1.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND RECORDER,

ST. CATHARINES, ONT., January 23rd, 1888.

D. F. MCWATT, Esq., Chairman Finance Committee.

Dear Sir and Comrade:—The Finance Committee instructed me at its meeting on the 12 inst., to prepare and submit a statistical Report of our Beneficiary Department, showing its exact condition on the 15th inst. I have examined my books and submit as the result of my labors :

Certificates issued to January 15th, 1888, in all....	1479
From which deduct: Died to date.....	18
In my report of May 1st, '87, I reported Cert. annulled to that day..	61
Of which number were re-instated meanwhile.....	3 58
Since May 1st, '87, I have annulled for suspension for more than 6 mos..	54
There are under temporary suspension for more than 3 months...	9
There " " " " less " 3 " ..	48 187
Leaving.....	1292
Cert. in force on the 15th inst.; On that day were in the jurisdiction 72 Legions.	
Of which there are without any Certificates.....	3 "

And of the remaining 69 Legions 37 had Certificates issued since May 1st last, while 32 of them did not send in any Applications at all. One Legion, holding 16 Certificates, has failed to pay Assessment No 6, and I have been compelled to suspend all their Certificates.

Respectfully submitted in E., I. & U.

B. J. LEUBSDORF, G. R.

DOCUMENT NO. 2.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND RECORDER,

ST. CATHARINES, ONT. February 3rd, 1888.

D. F. MCWATT, Esq., Chairman Finance Committee.

Dear Sir and Comrade:—In reply to your favor of the first inst.: You wish me to give you my ideas as to the means which should best be employed to infuse new life into our Beneficiary Department, to put it on a safe business standing, and to increase its membership at an early day to 2000 in good standing. As stated to you and the rest of the members of the Committee, at the late meeting in Toronto, something has to be done as soon as possible to increase our membership. Years ago I came already to the conclusion that the existence of our Order in this jurisdiction is based upon the prosperity of our Beneficiary Department and that alone, and while I endeavored to spare as much as possible of my time to the extension of the Order, still I felt that better results would be attained if we would employ a professional organizer. I called the attention of the Grand Legion to it without result. Since that time matters have materially changed. Competition is getting keener from day to day ; there is another society now in existence which recruits its members from the same ranks as we do, and consequently our chances of instituting new Legions are continuously getting smaller and the increase of membership in already existing Legions is dwindling down from term to term. We are now about 5 years in existence and after all of this time of hard labor and toil we have this day only 1300 members or thereabouts

in good standing in the Department mostly composed out of older men. High average age without constantly adding a good supply of new members fresh from the Doctor, means high assessments and these produce a dropping out of the younger members, leaving the older ones to be taken care of. Such is already the case with us, though happily in a small way as yet. From my report you will perceive that in four years and up to May 1st, 1887, we had to annul 58 Certificates, while from that day to date (8 months only) 54 Certificates had to be treated likewise.

I beg you to understand that I do not wish to say or to intimate in the least that our Beneficiary Department is this day in an unhealthy condition, but I am of opinion that something has to be done without delay to keep it healthy. Since May 1st last five new Legions have been added to our roll and they have furnished our Department with 93 members, a smaller number than ever we had before during that period. I am informed that there are prospects for two new Legions at this date, but I have of late been so often disappointed in this direction that I do not count the chickens any more before they are hatched. The five Toronto Legions who in the past used to furnish a large share of our increase, have done comparatively nothing of late. Only 11 Certificates have been issued to them during the present fiscal year. A large number of Legions are decreasing in membership from month to month and steps have to be taken in some few instances to keep them alive and to urge them on to fresh exertions. We have always depended on our District Deputies to visit the Legions in their respective districts at least once a year but since the Grand Lodge of Ontario, A. O. U. W., is paying its Deputies actual expenses incurred there seems to be a slackness amongst our Deputies who are supposed to do all the work free gratis and to pay Expenses besides. Our Grand Deputies, appointed to institute new Legions, receive only a very small compensation if they succeed in their work, and in many cases, especially where the distances are great, actually are money out of pocket.

Considering all these facts I come to the conclusion that in order to boom the Order all around, it is necessary to send qualified men to our existing Legions, and to the Lodges in undeveloped districts, and to pay them their expenses incurred in doing so. But to execute such a plan, money is required and where is it to come from? To increase our income by adding to our P. C. Tax is out of the question, as it is already higher than many Legions can comfortably bear. To retrench in our other expenses is equally impossible, as all possible savings are already affected.

Under these circumstances I see but one way open to secure money and that is by letting the coming session of the Grand Legion go by default. That session, if held, will cost us including the expenses of the Journal in the neighborhood of \$700, and that amount if judiciously expended under the direction of the Grand Commander and the Finance Committee will secure to us membership sufficient to pay the full 2000 Dollars, and thus also enable us to pay our death losses promptly. On September 12th last Comrade Kendall of No. 59 died, on October 15th I called the assessment to provide for his Beneficiary, and only yesterday I was able to send of the Warrant in settlement of that claim. My aim is to collect on every Assessment as much money as possible, such being in the interest of the Order and of the recipient of the Beneficiary. But can we prosper while it takes almost five months from the date of death of a Comrade until the Certificate is redeemed? Does such action from our part create confidence into our Order and is it calculated to accelerate our growth?

To judge from the business done at our last two or three sessions, the main business of the coming session will be the receiving of reports and the election of Officers. These reports will have to be submitted to the Legions at the close of the present fiscal year (if there be no session) instead of being presented to their representatives in Session assembled. Our Grand Commander, I feel sure, is fully satisfied with his two years tenure of Office and if a Session takes place, our Grand Vice Commander will be unanimously elected as his successor. If there is no session, our Grand Commander can resign at the time the session should have taken place and the Grand Vice Commander will by law take his place.

Just here I wish to consider the question: "Would it be legal not to meet this year in annual Session?" I unhesitatingly say: "Yes." Our constitution provides that the Grand Commander must call a special session at the request of a majority of the Legions in the jurisdiction, which proves conclusively that he is supposed to be subservient to the wishes of the majority of the Legions in the jurisdictions if expressed in proper form. It is evident from this, that as the Legions have a right to call a session, they have also the right to say, that there shall be no session.

Furthermore, Supreme Legions set the example. Supreme Constitution provides that the biennial meeting shall take place on a certain date. As the various Grand Legions meet but once a year or two, they could not be consulted to assent to a change of date but their representatives were asked to consent thereto. Now, if it is legal to meet a month later than the time prescribed in Constitution, is it not equally legal to meet 12 months later?

My idea would be that, if the views enunciated by me in the foregoing lines meet with the approbation of the Committee, they be laid by it before the Grand Commander asking him at the same time to issue a circular to all the Legions in the jurisdiction, setting forth the details of the present condition of our Beneficiary Department and the means proposed to improve matters, inviting them at the same time to express themselves whether they want a Session this year. If a majority wishes that the meeting take place or that it go by default in any event the decision of said majority to be respected and executed.

Yours fraternally,

B. J. LEUBSDORF, G. R.

DOCUMENT NO. 3.

To *J. McLean Stevenson, Esq., Grand Commander Grand Legion of Ontario, S. K. of A. O. U. W.*

Dear Sir and Comrade:—The undersigned, the members of the Finance Committee of the Grand Legion S. K. of A. O. U. W., Ontario, beg to submit herewith for your consideration two reports submitted to them by the Grand Recorder in regard to the condition and growth of the Beneficiary Department of this Grand Legion.

We have considered the subject very carefully and are unanimously of opinion that the plan suggested by the Grand Recorder should be carried out.

We, therefore, beg to advise you to issue without delay, a circular, requesting the subordinate Legions in this jurisdiction to notify the Grand Recorder not later than April 1st, 1888, whether it is their desire that a Session of the Grand Legion be held on the Third Tuesday in May next. Should a majority of the Legions express themselves in favor of the Grand Recorder's proposition then no session will be held.

Fraternally submitted in E., I. & U.,

D. F. MACWATT,
JOSEPH HARTON,
GEO. WOLTZ.

February 11th, 1888.

I considered them carefully and then instructed the Grand Recorder to issue the following circular to all the Legions in the jurisdiction :

**GRAND LEGION OF ONTARIO S. K. OF A. O. U. W.
HEADQUARTERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDER.**

BARRIE, FEBRUARY 22nd, 1888.

Dear Sir and Comrade :—In compliance with the Report laid before me the Finance Committee of this Grand Legion, and fully believing that it is in the best interests of the Order that each Legion in this jurisdiction should have an opportunity of expressing itself on the proposition submitted, I hereby request your Legion to inform the Grand Recorder, by letter, not later than the FIRST DAY OF APRIL, 1888, whether in his opinion the Annual Session of this Grand Legion for 1888 should be held. Any Legion not giving notice, as aforesaid, to the Grand Recorder within the time specified, shall be considered as opposed to the holding of the said Session. For full information I refer you to the annexed Reports. Hoping your Legion will give the matter the due consideration it deserves,

I beg to remain, yours fraternally in E., I & U.,

JOHN McLEAN STEVENSON, Grand Commander.

Attest: B. J. LEUBSDORF, Grand Recorder.

On April 5th I issued through the Grand Recorder this circular, which explains itself :

**GRAND LEGION OF ONTARIO S. K. OF A. O. U. W.
HEADQUARTERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDER.**

BARRIE, ONTARIO, April 4th, 1888.

To all whom it may concern, Greeting :

Whereas, I issued on February 22nd, 1888, a circular to the Legions in the jurisdiction inviting them to vote on a proposition submitted by me, and

Whereas, it appears to me from the Official Report of the Grand Recorder, which reads as follows :—

I, the undersigned, BERNARD J. LEUBSDORF, Grand Recorder of the Grand Legion of Ontario, S. K. of A. O. U. W., do hereby certify :

First—That I have mailed on February 25th, 1888, to each Legion in the jurisdiction in a registered envelope a circular of Grand Commander Stevenson, dated February 22nd, 1888, and of the reports referred to therein, as per Copy annexed hereto.

Second—That I have received up to this day replies from thirty-four Legions; the following Legions (twenty-seven in number) expressing themselves in favor of the proposition that no Session of the Grand Legion be held this year, viz :

Lincoln	Legion	No.	1.....	St. Catharines.
Niagara Falls	"	"	2.....	Niagara Falls, South.
Seguin	"	"	8.....	Parry Sound.
Kingston	"	"	10.....	Kingston.
Kempfeldt	"	"	16.....	Barrie.
Wellington	"	"	18.....	Guelph.
Erin	"	"	20.....	Erin.
Phoenix	"	"	22.....	Walkerton.
Lennox	"	"	24.....	Napanee.
Leopold	"	"	26.....	Chatham.
Fenton	"	"	29.....	Mansfield.
Capital	"	"	33.....	Ottawa.
Stanhoff	"	"	37.....	Norwich.
Dufferin	"	"	38.....	Orangeville.

Kemptville	Legion.	No.	39.....	Kemptville.
Gordon	"	"	40.....	Alliston.
Lyn	"	"	47.....	Lyn.
Jamieson	"	"	50.....	Moorefield.
Simcoe	"	"	51.....	Cookstown.
Royal	"	"	58.....	Cobourg.
Norfolk	"	"	59.....	Simcoe.
Howard	"	"	61.....	Ridgetown.
Banner	"	"	62.....	St. Catharines.
Elmvale	"	"	63.....	Elmvale.
Dundas	"	"	67.....	Iroquois.
Hickcox	"	"	68.....	St. Thomas.
Fidelity	"	"	71.....	Ilderton.

And seven Legions, viz:—

Wentworth	Legion	No.	3.....	Hamilton.
Toronto	"	"	6.....	Toronto.
Picton	"	"	14.....	Picton.
Crystal	"	"	53.....	Toronto.
Durham	"	"	43.....	Bowmanville.
Mystic	"	"	46.....	Hamilton.
Queen City	"	"	52.....	Toronto.

expressing themselves against the proposition.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my signature and the Seal of the Grand Legion in the City of St. Catharines, this second day of April, A. D. 1888.

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B. J. LEUBSDORF, Grand Recorder.

That the Legions in the jurisdiction have expressed themselves almost unanimously in favor of the proposition:

Therefore, in obedience to the wish of our Legions, and by virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution of this Grand Legion, I hereby order that the annual session of this Grand Legion for 1888 shall not take place.

The Grand Recorder is hereby instructed to forward without delay an official copy of this my order to all Legions in the jurisdiction, to all Grand Officers, Grand Trustees and members of Standing Committees, to all Comrades whose rank in the Order entitles them to a voice and vote in our Grand Legion, and to all representatives elect of whose election, he may at the receipt of this order, have official notice.

Witness my signature at the place and date aforesaid.

J. McLEAN STEVENSON, Gd. Commander.

Attest: B. J. LEUBSDORF, Gd. Recorder.

I would also draw attention to the fact that other circulars have been printed and sent to Legions without any authority from me to do so, and as that is clearly illegal I hope that those who did so will appreciate my forbearance in not punishing them by suspension, as I think I had the power to do under our laws.

I have, for the purpose of the peace and harmony of our institution, revoked my first order of postponement and have called you together at the present time to engage in such work as may be properly done at our annual gathering, by the following order:

GRAND LEGION OF ONTARIO S. K. OF A. O. U. W.
HEADQUARTERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDER.

BARRIE, ONTARIO, May 7th, 1888.

B. J. LEUBSDORF, Esq., Grand Recorder.

Dear Sir and Comrade:—On the strength of the representations made to me by you, I hereby call an adjourned session of the Grand Legion of Ontario, to take place in the City of St. Catharines, on Thursday, the 14th day of June, 1888, at 10 a. m.

You are hereby instructed to give forthwith due notice thereof to all Legions within this jurisdiction and to make all necessary preparations for the meeting.

You will also invite the Legions, and all other members of Grand Legion, to file with you any proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Grand Legion, and I waive any technical objections to their being acted upon at said adjourned session.

Yours fraternally,

J. McLEAN STEVENSON, Gd. Commander.

APPOINTMENTS.

In compliance with our Constitution, I have made the following appointments:

GRAND MARSHALL.

P. Cdr. John A. Hoshal, of Iroquois Legion No, 12.

COMMITTEE ON LAWS AND SUPERVISION.

P. Cdr. Henry Robertson, of Collingwood Legion No. 42, Chairman.
" Geo. A. McMullen, Island " No. 32,
" O. C. Graves, Banner " No. 62.

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

For	South Simcoe.....	P. Cdr. W. R. Fenton.
"	Elgin, Kent and Essex.....	" Henry Watson.
"	N. Simcoe, Parry Sound and Muskoka..	" D. F. MacWatt.
"	Eastern Ontario.....	" C. Robsoh.
"	Unoccupied Territory.....	P. G. Cdr. B. J. Leubsdorf.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDERS.

For York	County.....	P. Cdr. E. W. Barton.
" Prince Edward	"	" J. M. Squire.
" Kent	"	" Jas. E. Peers.
" Lennox	"	" H. V. Fralick.
" Wentworth	"	" W. H. Woodhouse.
" Addington	"	" James Aylsworth.
" Lincoln	"	" N. M. Black.
" Leeds	"	" J. M. Cumming.
" Bruce	"	" Rob. Millons.
" Wellington	"	" Dav. Scroggie.
" Ontario	"	" R. S. Cormack.
" Oxford	"	" Sam. Redmond.
" Carleton	"	" Duncan Bell.
" Haldimand	"	" Thomas Bridger.
" Dundas	"	" C. Robson.
" Northumberland	"	Cde. W. Toms, Jr.
" Norfolk	"	P. Cdr. J. Thomas Murphy.
" Welland	"	" W. Colclough.
" Frontenac	"	" W. K. Routley.
" Perth	"	" J. A. Burgess.
" Peel	"	" Wm. Burgess.
" North Simcoe	"	" John Nettleton.
" Dufferin	"	" J. E. Booth.
" South Simcoe	"	" R. Fife.
" Elgin	"	" M. D. Carder.
" Waterloo	"	" John Zryd.
" Durham	"	" Charles Keith.
" Grenville	"	" E. L. B. Cornell.
" Middlesex	"	" J. H. McLellan.
" Montreal	"	" W. D. McLaren, jr.
" Essex	"	Cde. D. Nicholson.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

Our Legions are, as a rule, in very fair condition, and the majority of them are increasing their membership. It is worthy of notice, however, that, as a rule, our country Legions are making better progress than the city Legions, and at the same time seem to retain their membership much better.

NEW LEGIONS.

Since May 1st, 1887, the following Legions have been instituted :

Name of Legion.	No.	Location.	By whom instituted.	Date of Institution
Hickcox	68	St. Thomas ..	D. G. C. Watson....	May 5th, 1887.
Niagara	69	Niagara	P. G. Cdr. Leubsdorf	May 13th, 1887.
Brampton	70	Brampton	"	Oct. 5th, 1887.
Fidelity	71	Ilderton .. .	"	Oct. 18th, 1887.
Hillsburgh.....	72	Hillsburgh.....	"	Jan. 11th, 1888.
Lorne	73	Spencerville ..	D. G. C. Robson	Feb. 11th, 1888.
Marine	74	Amherstburg..	D. G. C. Watson....	March 2nd, 1888.
Pioneer	1	Montreal	P. G. Cdr. Leubsdorf	March 19th, 1888.
Stadacona	2	"	"	March 20th, 1888.
Lisgar	75	Prescott	D. G. C. Robson....	May 23rd, 1888.
Caledon	76	Caledon	D. G. C. Fenton	May 26th, 1888.
Schomberg	77	Schomberg ..	"	June 1st, 1888.
Kingsville	78	Kingsville	D. G. C. Watson	June 8th, 1888.

making 13 in all, and there are good prospects for further work at an early day.

This jurisdiction was the fifth formed under the auspices of Supreme Legion and to-day it ranges directly after the Banner jurisdiction of Missouri, having outgrown New York, Illinois and Kansas, as to the number of Legions, membership and standing of Beneficiary Department. It is very pleasant to me indeed to be enabled to report to you such favorable news and I trust that they will inspire each of us to further interest in and work for the Order, so that the honorable position we have attained in the Order at large may be preserved for us in the future.

DECISIONS.

While having been continually asked for decisions on minor constitutional matters, I have given but one of general importance to the Order, viz. :

A Comrade, whose certificate has been annulled, after being reinstated in the Beneficiary Department, is liable on every Assessment levied after his reinstatement, even if such are called for deathlosses occurring prior to said reinstatement.

ONTARIO BENEFICIARY CERTIFICATES.

I learn, on inquiry from the Grand Recorder, that 311 Certificates have been issued by him during the year ending May 1st, showing a slight increase over the number issued the previous year. Strange to say, the work of the older Legions in the interests of the Department has greatly diminished, and our increase was mainly due to new Legions instituted.

ASSESSMENTS.

We have been called upon to pay six and one-half assessments during the year against nine during last year, making in all nineteen during the five years existence of our Department.

APPEALS.

As in previous years no appeal has been submitted to me and I am very much pleased to again put on record the harmony existing amongst the members in the jurisdiction.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

An extraordinary number of amendments will engage your attention at this Session. May you be so guided in their consideration that any changes made will work to the best advantage of the Order.

IN MEMORIAM.

Comrade A. G. Muir, a charter member of Star Legion No. 5, and for three years a member of your Finance Committee, has been called away from our midst to our better home. I hope that you will follow the example set in former years and order that a suitable memorial page be inserted into the Journal of this Session.

FINANCES.

I have personally attended the meetings of the Finance Committee and assisted in the examination of the books and vouchers of the Grand Recorder. On every occasion everything was found to be in the best of order. You will perceive from the detailed report of the Grand Recorder that while our expenses have been normal, they have increased in proportion to the growth of the Order. Of course our receipts have increased likewise.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

During the year our Order has at last gained a foothold in the City of Montreal. We have instituted two Legions, whose membership this day amounts to nearly 60, all of which are securing Certificates in our Beneficiary Department. I congratulate you on this valuable increase and trust that it is only the forerunner to further work to be done in that province.

GRAND RECORDER.

I have been almost in daily correspondence with Grand Recorder Leubsdorf about matters connected with the Order, and must bear witness to the prompt attention our business has received at his hands. The work of his Office has, as a matter of course, multiplied with the growth of the Order and the increase in the number of assessments called. I deem it my duty to call your attention to the fact that the compensation paid to that Officer is in no proportion to the work expected to be done, and done by him.

At the Session of 1884 a temporary salary was fixed by you, but at that time we were in our infancy and intended to make more liberal provision at some future day. In my opinion that time has come now, and I trust you will make such provision as is worthy of our institution and just to our employe. You cannot expect a man to devote almost his whole time and energy to your interests without paying him a fair salary for his services, especially when you know that he does his work promptly, giving complete satisfaction. The success of our order depends mainly upon the work done by the Grand Recorder, and it will be therefore in our interest to continue employing a comrade whose actions and faithfulness to his duties in the past must be accepted as a sure sign of what we have reasons to expect from him in the future.

CONCLUSION.

In returning to you the trust you have for the second time unanimously confided to my care, I hope you will pardon me for any shortcomings on my part and that you will accept my assurance that I had at all times the best interests of the Order in view. It is very hard to act in every matter in such a manner as to meet the various views entertained by a large membership and knowing this full well I have on all occasions used my own judgment and acted in accordance therewith.

I shall never forget the pleasant relations I have had with the many members of the Order—high or low—in my official capacity and will but ask that the many acts of courtesy and confidence I have received during my term of Office will equally be bestowed upon my successor.

Fraternally submitted in E. I. & U.,

J. McLEAN STEVENSON,

Grand Commander.

St. Catharines, June 14th, 1888.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

To the Grand Commander, Officers and Comrades of the Grand Legion Select Knights of the A. O. U. W. of Ontario.

SIR AND COMRADES:

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report.

As the Grand Recorder's report contains detailed Statements of the Beneficiary and General Funds your Committee merely gives the total receipts and disbursements which are as follows :

Beneficiary Fund, including balance of 1886, on hand 1st May, 1887.....	\$ 10179 00
Paid out by Warrants	8348 00
Balance on hand May 1st, 1888	<u>\$ 1831 00</u>

General Fund, including balance \$580.09 on hand May 1st, 1887	\$ 3003 72
Paid out by Warrants.....	2598 36
	<u>\$ 404 36</u>

The expenses of the year amounted to \$2067.74. This includes the cost of the last annual session which amounted to \$599.70 and the sum of \$225 for instituting new Legions. Items for similar purposes were not included in last years expense account.

It is satisfactory to note that all accounts against the Grand Legion have been paid to 1st inst. except the bill of Brown Bros. which is not yet due.

Your Committee have audited the books three times during the year and have on every occasion found them correctly kept.

Your Committee desire to bring to the notice of the Grand Legion the remuneration paid to the Grand Recorder which is altogether out of proportion to the services rendered. The present salary was arranged in 1884 when there was only one assessment per annum. Now when we have 9 assessments in one year and the percentage likely to be heavier for some years, a salary adequate to the duties required of our Grand Recorder is necessary, and your Committee consider that the Grand Legion at the ensuing session carefully look into the matter and do justice to whoever may be Grand Recorder by materially increasing the present annual allowance.

We herewith submit balance sheet, showing our financial standing on May 1st, 1888.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

D. F. MACWATT,
JOSEPH HARTON, } Finance Com.
GEO. WOLTZ.

TORONTO, 14th May, 1888.

SCHEDULE L.
Balance Sheet pro May 1st, 1888.

DR.		CR.
To Fergus Legion No 28.....	\$ 25	By Cash on hand Gen. Fund .. \$ 404 36
" Brown Brothers	12 58	" Office Furniture 143 95
" Salary Grand Recorder to date	60 00	" Supplies in stock..... 365 47
" Can. Workman 2 months grant	16 66	" Outstanding accounts..... 151 82
" Balance	976 11	
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	\$1065 60	\$1065 60
		By Bal. in favor Grand Legion.. \$ 976 11



REPORT —OF THE— GRAND RECORDER.

To the Grand Commander, Officers and Members of the Grand Legion, Select Knights of the A. O. U. W. of Ontario.

BRETHREN AND COMRADES:

I beg to submit to you herewith a full report of the transactions of my office from May 1st, 1887, to same date 1888.

The total amount of money collected by me during that time is \$10715.63c. a slight decrease from the receipts of last fiscal year, caused through a lesser number of assessments in the Beneficiary Department.

There was in the hands of the Grand Treasurer to the credit of the General Fund on May 1st, 1887, the sum of \$580.09. Since that day up to the 1st inst, I have collected and paid over to the Grand Treasurer :

a. For P. C. Tax	\$1478 00
b. " Beneficiary Certificates	302 00
c. " Supplies	135 28
d. " Charter Fees	450 00
e. " the General Fund.....	57 35
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in all	\$2422 63
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	\$3002 72

Herefrom were paid as per Schedule
A. 65 Warrants, aggregating..... \$2598 36

leaving a balance of \$ 404 36
in the hands of the Grand Treasurer on May 1st last, to the credit of the General Fund.

Full details as to my collections on General Fund account are presented to you in Schedule B.

My collections of Beneficiary Money amounted to \$8293 00 which were paid over to the Grand Treasurer.

The latter held to the credit of this fund on May 1st, 1887..... 1886 00

Total..... \$10179 00

against which were drawn as per Schedule C. eight Warrants aggregating \$8348 00

leaving in his possession a balance of..... \$1831 00 in favor of the Beneficiary Fund after all Warrants drawn to date have been paid by him.

There have been issued by this Grand Legion up to the 1st inst., in all..... 1614 Cert. deduct herefrom Certificates issued to May 1st '87 1303 "

Increase during the year 311 Cert. Schedule E. gives full particulars to which Legions these Certificates were issued.

Six Death Assessments have been levied by me during the year viz : No. 6, 7, 8, 1, 2 and 3 ; in addition thereto I levied Disability Assessment No. 1. Collections made by me on each Assessment are given in detail in Schedule I. Assessment No. 3 is payable during this month and therefore is not accounted for in the transactions of the year.

There are this day 3 death losses reported to me which will cause 3 Assessments for the new year.

With the consent of our Finance Committee it has been my policy to levy but one Assessment for each month, experience having taught me that the levying of a larger number in one call causes a very large number of suspensions. When it is remembered that all of our members have to pay their monthly Assessments in the parent Order, and that a large number thereof hold Certificates in Supreme Beneficiary Department, it is evident that great care has to be exercised to keep our members in good standing.

Acting under instructions from the Finance Committee, I have since last January and on the close of each month given direct notice of suspension to each member of the Beneficiary Department reported to me during the month as suspended by his Legion. I am pleased to be able to state that such action on my part has been the means of preserving many members

to the Order. It is a frequent occurrence that Comrades are suspended by their Legions and they themselves are not aware of the fact that they are liable on an Assessment much less that they have been suspended.

Under instructions from Finance Committee I have separated the Office Furniture account from the Supplies account and you will find separate Schedules for both submitted herewith.

It being just 5 years since our Beneficiary Department is in operation I have taken pains to show the work which has been done during that time. The information to be derived therefrom, I trust, will be of interest to many of the members.

As per details given there were on May 1st 1384 Certificates in force of the 1614 issued that day.

I also submit herewith a number of schedules giving full information on matters of financial and statistical interest.

It is impossible for me to give an exact statement of our membership, a number of Legions failing to send monthly reports. Our increase in the collection of the P. C. Tax amounts to \$105.00 in round figures and I therefore feel justified in saying that our net gain against the preceding year is something like 250 members.

The Beneficiary Certificate Register in use for almost 5 years proved itself to be too small for the requirements of the Order. By direction of the Finance Committee a new and more suitable one was procured and the entries from the old book were copied therein.

Hoping that the year just begun will show equally good results and that at its expiration our Beneficiary Department will have 2000 members in good standing, I beg to remain,

Yours fraternally in E. I. & U.

A large, flowing cursive signature in black ink. The main part of the signature reads "B. J. Jenksdorf". To the right of the "d" in "Jenksdorf", there is a smaller "A." followed by "G. R." in a similar script style.

ST. CATHARINES, May 2nd, 1888.

Schedule A.—Statement of Warrants drawn on the Grand Treasurer against the General Fund.

Warrant No. 158.. Postal Cards for Ass. No. 5.....	\$ 11 70
" " 159.. Journal Clerk Harton, Session 1887	5 00
" " 160.. Institution Fee for Legion No. 68	25 00
" " 161.. " " " " 69	25 00
" " 162.. Expenses Grand Legion Session 1887	594 70
" " 164.. " Bond Grand Recorder Guarantee Co.....	7 50
" " 165.. Exchange and Postage Grand Treasurer 1886-1887..	7 01
" " 166.. 3 months Salary Grand Recorder	65 00
" " 167.. 3 " grant Canadian Workman.....	25 00
" " 168.. Duty paid on Supreme Legion supplies.....	1 88
" " 169.. Expense Bond Grand Treasurer Guarantee Co	12 50
" " 170.. Postage & Office exp. Gd. Recorder May & June '87	26 57
" " 171.. 3 months grant Canadian Overseer	25 00
" " 172.. Supreme Legion P. Capita Tax	300 60
" " 173.. C. Sherwood Printing Bill	78 60
" " 174.. Bill Grand Med. Examiner Dr. John S. King.....	28 00
" " 176.. 3 months Salary Grand Recorder	67 00
" " 177.. Supreme Legion Supplies	100 13
" " 178.. 3 months grant Canadian Workman.....	25 00
" " 179.. Postage & Off. Exp's Gd. Recorder July & Aug. '87.	16 10
" " 180.. Postage Cards Ass. No. 6.....	13 50
" " 182.. Brown Brothers Stationery	9 45
" " 183.. Expenses Finance Committee Meeting.....	22 12
" " 184.. Canadian Overseer Printing Journal Session 1887..	36 75
" " 185.. Institution Fee for Legion No. 70.....	25 00
" " 186.. Tin box for keeping of Reports and Returns	2 00
" " 187.. Postal Cards for Ass. No. 7.....	13 50
" " 188.. Bill Grand Medical Exam. Dr. John. S. King.....	14 56
" " 189.. Office exp's, Postage &c., Gd. Recd'r. Sept. Oct. '87	20 80
" " 190.. 3 months grant Canadian Overseer	25 00
" " 191.. Duty paid on Supreme Legion Supplies	7 62
" " 192.. Postal Cards for Ass. No. 8	13 50
" " 193.. 3 months Salary Grand Recorder	69 00
" " 194.. 3 " grant Canadian Workman.....	25 00
" " 195.. Insurance on Supplies	2 00
" " 196.. Postal Cards for Ass. No. 1	13 50
" " 198.. Institution Fee for Legion No. 71	25 00
" " 199.. Post, Express, Off. Exp. Gdr. Rdr. Nov. & Dec. '87.	22 40
" " 200.. Duty on Supreme Legion Supplies	3 75
" " 201.. Expense Meeting Finance Committee	22 12
" " 202.. Desk purchased for Gd. Recorder's Office	19 20
" " 203.. Postal Cards for Ass. No. 2	13 50
" " 204.. Bill Grand Medical Exam. John S. King.....	19 32
" " 205.. 3 months grant Canadian Overseer	25 00
" " 206.. Institution Fee for Legion 72	25 00
" " 207.. " " " " 73	25 00
" " 208.. Postal Cards for Disability Ass. No. 1	14 00
" " 209.. 3 months Salary Grand Recorder	71 00
" " 210.. Postage & Office exps. Gd. Recorder. Jan. & Feb. '88.	38 05
" " 211.. 3 months grant Canadian Workman.....	25 00
" " 212.. Institution Fee Legion No. 74.....	25 00
" " 213.. Duty on Supreme Legion Supplies.....	3 15
" " 214.. Institution Fee for Legion No. 1, Quebec	25 00
" " 215.. " " " " 2, "	25 00
" " 216.. Postal Cards for Ass. No. 3	14 70
" " 217.. Printing Supplies Canadian Overseer	25 00
" " 218.. Postage & Office exps. Gd. Rdr. March & April '88.	33 65
" " 219.. R. W. Osborn Binding Blank books.....	45 03
" " 220.. Postage Finance Committee one year	4 45
" " 221.. " Grand Commander two years	12 00
" " 222.. C. Sherwood Printing Supplies	98 00
" " 223.. Bill Grand Medical Examiner Dr. J. S. King	37 52
" " 224.. 3 months grant Canadian Overseer	25 00
" " 225.. Supreme Legion in full for Supplies	93 81
" " 226.. Expenses Meeting Finance Committee.....	22 12

SCHEDULE B.

Itemized Statement of moneys received for the General Fund from May 1st, 1887, to May 1st, 1888.

Legion.	No.	P. C. Tax.	Supplies.	Ben. Cer.	Charter.	Gr. Fud.
Lincoln.....	1.....	\$ 38 50	\$.. .	\$ 2 00	.....	\$ .. 50
Niagara Falls..	2.....	12 00	2 99	8 00	.....	.....
Wentworth.....	3.....	35 50	7 97	4 00	.....	1 00
Union.....	4.....	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Star.....	5.....	11 50	73	.. ..	.....	.....
Toronto.....	6.....	100 50	4 00	2 00	.....	.....
Parkdale.....	7.....	5 00	.. ..	1 00	.....	.....
Seguin.....	8.....	9 ..	.. 84	.. ..	.....	.....
Bradford.....	9.....	22 00	2 27	3 00	.....	.. 50
Kingston.....	10.....	38 00	4 61	2 00	.....	1 00
Lynden.....	11.....	7 50	2 44	1 00	.....	.. 50
Iroquois.....	12.....	6 00	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Jarvis.....	13.....	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Picton.....	14.....	51 00	2 25	4 00	.....	.. 50
Caledonia.....	15.....	11 00	1 00	.. ..	.....	.....
Kempenfeldt.....	16.....	35 00	5 00	3 00	.....	.....
Frontier.....	17.....	7 00	.. 06	.. ..	.....	.....
Guelph.....	18.....	32 00	2 88	7 00	.....	1 50
Tilsonburg.....	19.....	7 50	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Erin.....	20.....	19 25	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Excelsior.....	21.....	40 50	5 86	.. ..	.....	.. 50
Phœnix.....	22.....	10 00	1 05	.. ..	.....	.. 50
York.....	23.....	52 50	.. ..	1 00	.....	.. 50
Lennox.....	24.....	27 50	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Equity.....	25.....	11 00	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Leopold.....	26.....	40 50	4 12	7 00	.....	.....
Victoria.....	27.....	8 50	.. 50	.. ..	.....	.....
Fergus.....	28.....	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Fenton.....	29.....	15 00	.. ..	1 00	.....	.....
Shelburne.....	30.....	15 00	.. ..	2 00	.....	.....
Morrisburg.....	31.....	15 00	2 72	8 00	.....	.. 50
Island.....	32.....	19 50	1 68	3 00	.....	.....
Capital.....	33.....	24 50	.. ..	7 00	.....	.. 50
Orillia.....	34.....	12 50	.. ..	4 00	.....	.....
Eglington.....	35.....	13 00	5 95	.. ..	.....	.....
Whitby.....	36.....	21 50	2 67	.. ..	.....	.....
Stanhoff.....	37.....	20 50	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Dufferin.....	38.....	49 00	11 74	6 00	.....	.....
Kemptville.....	39.....	21 50	1 00	1 00	.....	.. 50
Gordon.....	40.....	15 50	.. ..	2 00	.....	1 00
Muskoka.....	41.....	13 00	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Collingwood	42.....	36 00	.. ..	6 00	.....	.....
Durham.....	43.....	15 00	1 00	.. ..	.....	.....
Empress.....	44.....	24 50	2 45	.. ..	.....	.....
Waterloo.....	45.....	9 50	.. ..	2 00	.....	.. 50
Mystic.....	46.....	39 50	4 81	2 00	.....	.. 50
Lyn.....	47.....	22 50	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Rideau.....	48.....	15 50	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....
Ontario.....	49.....	10 50	.. 63	1 00	.....	.....
Jamieson.....	50.....	16 00	.. ..	2 00	.....	.. 50
Simcoe.....	51.....	19 00	1 92	.. ..	.....	.....
Queen City.....	52.....	43 00	6 31	5 00	.....	.....
Crystal.....	53.....	39 50	3 72	6 00	.....	.. 50
Tottenham.....	54.....	13 75	1 39	2 00	.....	1 50
Tamworth.....	55.....	18 00	5 82	1 00	.....	.. 50

Centreville	56		7 00	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Queensville	57		15 50	.. ..	1 00				
Royal	58		12 50	1 25	1 00				
Norfolk	59		20 00	3 88	2 00				1 00
Morpeth	60		13 00	1 45	1 00				
Howard	61		6 50	.. ..	1 00				
Banner	62		25 50	.. ..	.. ..		
Elmvale	63		19 00	1 45	5 00				
Belleville	64		13 00	.. ..	.. ..		
Lake	65		35 00	2 20	1 00				50
Dunn	66		13 00	92	12 00				
Dundas	67		12 00	.. ..	5 00				
Hickcox	68		36 50	6 50	42 00	50 00		1 00	
Niagara	69		21 50	.. ..	14 00	50 00		.. 50	
Brampton	70		.. ..	4 50	15 00	50 00			
Fidelity	71		5 50	.. ..	10 00	50 00			
Hillsburg	72		.. ..	.. ..	15 00	50 00			
Lorne	73		.. ..	.. ..	10 00	50 00			
Marine	74		.. ..	.. ..	15 00	50 00			
Pioneer, Q	1		.. ..	.. ..	17 00	50 00			
Stadacona, Q	2		.. ..	4 50	29 00	50 00			
Robt. Pink			I 00	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
H. F. Falkiner			I 00	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
T. P. Worth			I 00	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
W. Tolmie.			I 00	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Thos. Wilson			.. 50	I 00	.. ..	.. ..			50
Hy. A. Baker			.. 50	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
J. Hinch			.. 50	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
M. I. Beeman			.. 50	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Jos. Harton			.. ..	I 25	.. ..	.. ..	
Interest received from G. Treas..			.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..		38 35	
E. W. Barton, D. D. G. Cdr.			.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..		2 00	
W. J. Burwell			.. ..	I 25	.. ..	.. ..	
C. Robson			.. ..	I 50	.. ..	.. ..	
A. R. Thompson			.. ..	I 25	.. ..	.. ..	

\$1478 00 \$135 28 \$302 00 \$450 00 \$57 35

SCHEDULE C.—Statement of Warrants drawn upon the Grand Treasurer against the Beneficiary Fund.

Warrant No. 163 in Favor of Mrs. Mary Jane Nott	.....	1110 00
" " 175 " " Ellen Jane Thompson	.....	1107 00
" " 181 " " Guardian of A. L. Griffith	.....	1103 00
" " 197 " " Mrs. Clara Louisa Rawlings	.....	650 00
" " 15 " " E. O. Kendall	.....	1251 00
" " 15½ " " Guardian of F. A. Rawlings	.....	650 00
" " 16 " " Mrs. Belinda Calberry	.....	1242 00
" " 17 " " Harriet Jane Birch	.....	1235 00

\$ 8348 00

SCHEDULE D.—Itemized Statement of Office Furniture on hand.

1 Safe	.....	\$110 00
3 Files	.....	3 00
2 Files	.....	1 00
1 Letterpress	5 00
1 Scale	1 00
1 Trunk	2 00
1 Tinbox	2 00
1 Seal-electro	75
1 Office desk	19 20

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SCHEDULE E.

Statement of the Beneficiary Certificates issued to each Legion in the jurisdiction from May 1st, 1887, to May 1st, 1888,

No.	Name of Legion.	No. of Applic'ns.	No.	Name of Legion.	No. of Applic'ns.
1	Lincoln	2 ..	39	Kemptville	1 ..
2	Niagara Falls	8 ..	40	Gordon	2 ..
3	Wentworth	4 ..	41	Muskoka	None.
4	Union	None.	42	Collingwood	4 ..
5	Star	None.	43	Durham	None.
6	Toronto	2 ..	44	Empress	None.
7	Cooksville	1 ..	45	Waterloo	2 ..
8	Seguin	None.	46	Mystic	2 ..
9	Bradford	3 ..	47	Lynn	None.
10	Kingston	2 ..	48	Rideau	None.
11	Lynden	1 ..	49	Ontario	1 ..
12	Iroquois	None.	50	Jamieson	2 ..
14	Picot	4 ..	51	Simcoe	None.
15	Caledonia	None.	52	Queen City	5 ..
16	Kempenfeldt	3 ..	53	Crystal	6 ..
17	Frontier	None.	54	Tottenham	2 ..
18	Wellington	7 ..	55	Tamworth	1 ..
19	Tilsonburg	None.	57	Queensville	1 ..
20	Erin	None.	58	Royal	1 ..
21	Excelsior	None.	59	Norfolk	2 ..
22	Pnoenix	None.	60	Morpeth	1 ..
23	York	1 ..	61	Howard	1 ..
24	Lennox	1 ..	62	Banner	5 ..
25	Equity	None.	63	Elmvale	5 ..
26	Leopold	7 ..	64	Belleville	None.
27	Victoria	None.	65	Lake	1 ..
29	Fenton	1 ..	66	Dunn	12 ..
30	Shelburne	2 ..	67	Dundas	5 ..
31	Morrisburg	8 ..	68	Hickcox	42 ..
32	Island	3 ..	69	Niagara	16 ..
33	Capital	7 ..	70	Brampton	15 ..
34	Orillia	4 ..	71	Fidelity	10 ..
35	Eglinton	None.	72	Hillsburg	15 ..
36	Whitby	None.	73	Lorne	10 ..
37	Stanhoff	None.	74	Marine	16 ..
38	Dufferin	6 ..	1	Pioneer, Q	17 ..
			2	Stadacona, Q	31 ..

SCHEDULE F.—Expense Account of the Grand Legion.

Paid for Expenses of Session 1887, including Journal Clerk	\$ 599 70
" " Grand Canadian Overseer	100 00
" " " " Workman	100 00
" " Expressage, Telegraph, Duty, Postage, Office Expenses, &c. .	174 02
" " Stationery	9 45
" " Salary Grand Recorder	272 00
" " Meetings Finance Committee	66 36
" " Grand Medical Examiner's fees and expenses	99 40
" " Institution fees 9 Legions	225 00
" " Printing and Binding Free Supplies and Stationery	73 35
" " " " Office blank books	18 85
" " Insurance on Supplies	2 00
" " Officers Bonds to Guarantee Company	20 00
" " Supreme Legion P. C. Tax	300 60
" " Exchange and Postage Grand Treasurer	7 01
	\$ 2067 74

SCHEDULE G.—Itemized Statement of Supplies on hand.

70 Application Cards	$\frac{1}{2}$	\$ 35	Brought forward.....	\$ 228 35
107 Statement Blanks.....01	107		850 Disability Ben. Ret. Blanks $\frac{1}{2}$	4 25
4020 Medical Exam'n Blanks....	25 20		200 Institution reports	02 4 00
1 Digest	2 00		3 Charter blanks	200 6 00
22 Drill books.....85	18 70		50 Ode Cards	03 1 50
58 Rituals	100	58 00	800 Constitutions	2 16 00
4 Treas. Receipt books....24	96		98 Disability proofs	08 7 84
6 Rec. Treas. " 24	1 44		145 S. W.	44 6 89
8 Supreme Constitutions..06	48		215 D. D. G. C. Commissions 02	4 30
9 Benef'y Return books....24	2 16		165 D. G. C. " 02	3 30
13 Withdrawal Cards.....05	65		7850 Warrant and blanks 66-1000	5 18
2 Roll books.....35	70		7850 Rec. Treas. Rec. books "	5 18
21 Monthly Report books....45	9 45		7850 Treasurer's " " "	5 18
10 Beneficiary Registers ....45	4 50		1772 Beneficiary Ret. " 24-100	4 25
130 Journals Session 1885	15	19 50	2 Supplies with D.G.C. Watt.	17 50
170 " " 1886	17	28 90	1 " " Fenton..	8 75
130 " " 1887	17	22 10	1 " " D.D.G.C. Stonehouse	8 75
290 Representatives Creden's.. $\frac{3}{4}$	2 18		2 " " Robson ..	17 50
300 Alternates " .. $\frac{3}{4}$	2 25		1 " " W.J.Graham	8 75
175 Death reports	05	8 75	2 Rituals " "	2 00
85 P. C. Tax Notices	01	85		
90 Med. Exam. Credentials..03	2 70			
137 Ass. Second Notices.....01	1 37			
200 " First "	01	2 00		
110 Charter lists.....2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 48			
100 Deputy Appoin't. Notices 01	1 00			
270 Suspension Notices ....2-3	1 80			
170 Ben. Cert. Blanks	1 7-10	2 90		
188 Bonds	02	3 76		
6 S. A. Return Blanks	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	15		
Carried forward.....		\$ 228 35		\$ 365 47

SCHEDULE H.—Supplies Account.

	DR.
To Stock on hand May 1st, 1887	\$ 383 43
" Rituals, Drillbooks, Charters and Withdrawal Cards.....	102 83
" Claim paid Supreme Legion for old Supplies	18 00
" Paid for Printing Supplies	164 25
" Paid for Binding Supplies and Blankbooks	26 18
" Paid for Postal Cards for Assessments	95 00
" Profit.....	168 00
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	\$ 957 69

	CR.
By Transfer to Office Furniture Account.....	\$ 122 00
" Supplies sold.....	228 67
" " furnished free of charge	239 30
" old rituals returned Supreme Legion	2 25
" Stock on hand May 1st, 1888.....	365 47
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	\$957 69

SCHEDULE I.

Statement of Beneficiary Fund collected from May 1st, 1887, to May 1st, 1888.

Legion.	No.	Ass. 3.	Ass. 4.	Ass. 5.	Ass. 6.	Ass. 7.	Ass. 8.	Ass. 1.	Ass. 2.	D.A. No. 1
Lincoln.....	1.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$26 00	\$30 00	\$28 00	\$27 00	\$29 00	\$28 00	14 50
Niagara Falls.....	2.....	.....	.....	4 ..	8 ..	'8 ..	8 ..	9 ..	9 ..	6 ..
Wentworth.....	3.....	.....	.....	31 ..	31 ..	31 ..	30 ..	31 ..	32 ..	16 50
Union.....	4.....	.....	.....	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	50
Star.....	5.....	.....	.....	7 ..	7 ..	7 ..	7 ..	7 ..	7 ..	3 50
Toronto.....	6.....	.....	.....	91 ..	95 ..	91 ..	91 ..	91 ..	91 ..	49 50
Cooksville.....	7.....	.....	.....	1 ..	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	....
Seguin.....	8.....	.....	.....	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	4 ..
Bradford.....	9.....	.....	.....	21 ..	21 ..	21 ..	21 ..	21 ..	21 ..	12 ..
Kingston.....	10.....	.....	.....	38 ..	38 ..	38 ..	38 ..	38 ..	38 ..	19 ..
Lynden.....	11.....	.....	.....	14 ..	14 ..	15 ..	15 ..	11 ..	11 ..	....
Iroquois.....	12.....	.....	.....	8 ..	7 ..	7 ..	7 ..	7 ..	7 ..	....
Jarvis.....	13.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Picton.....	14.....	.....	.....	31 ..	42 ..	35 ..	34 ..	36 ..	35 ..	18 ..
Caledonia.....	15.....	.....	.....	11 ..	6 ..	16 ..	10 ..	9 ..	9 ..	....
[x] Kempfield.....	16.....	.....	.....	29 ..	30 ..	30 ..	33 ..	31 ..	32 ..	15 ..
Frontier.....	17.....	.....	.....	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	1 ..	50
Wellington.....	18.....	.....	.....	17 ..	22 ..	22 ..	22 ..	23 ..	23 ..	12 50
Tilsonburg.....	19.....	.....	.....	8 ..	8 ..	7 ..	7 ..	7 ..	7 ..	3 50
Erin.....	20.....	.....	.....	14 ..	12 ..	11 ..	13 ..	12 ..	12 ..	5 50
Excelsior.....	21.....	.....	.....	39 ..	39 ..	39 ..	39 ..	38 ..	37 ..	11 ..
Phoenix.....	22.....	.....	.....	10 ..	10 ..	10 ..	10 ..	10 ..	10 ..	5 ..
York.....	23.....	.....	.....	42 ..	63 ..	48 ..	48 ..	48 ..	47 ..	23 50
Lennox.....	24.....	.....	.....	27 ..	27 ..	27 ..	25 ..	29 ..	27 ..	14 ..
Equity.....	25.....	.....	.....	11 ..	11 ..	11 ..	11 ..	11 ..	11 ..	5 50
Leopold.....	26.....	.....	.....	22 ..	22 ..	30 ..	27 ..	28 ..	26 ..	28 ..
Victoria.....	27.....	.....	.....	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	8 ..	4 ..
Fergus.....	28.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Mansfield.....	29.....	.....	.....	16 ..	20 ..	19 ..	12 ..	21 ..	16 ..	7 ..
Sheilburne.....	30.....	.....	.....	18 ..	16 ..	19 ..	17 ..	18 ..	15 ..	....
Morrisburg.....	31.....	.....	.....	7 ..	7 ..	14 ..	14 ..	14 ..	14 ..	8 ..
Island.....	32.....	.....	.....	14 ..	14 ..	16 ..	16 ..	17 ..	17 ..	6 50

SCHEDULE I.—(Continued.)

SCHEDULE J.

Statements of amounts due Grand Legion from Subordinate Legions.

Lincoln	1.....	\$ 3 71	Mystic	46.....	4 05
Union	4.....	1 80	Lynn	47.....	3 44
Toronto	6.....	10 35	Rideau	48.....	2 71
Cooksville	7.....	78	Ontario	49.....	63
Seguin	8.....	3 84	Jamieson	50.....	2 83
Lynden	11.....	1 54	Crystal.....	53.....	4 00
Iroquois	12.....	1 41	Queensville.....	57.....	1 11
Picton	14.....	3 87	Royal	58.....	1 25
Caledonia	15.....	94	Howard	61.....	4 31
Tilsonburg	19.....	84	Banner.....	62.....	7 83
Erin	20.....	1 31	Elmvale	63.....	1 57
Excelsior.....	21.....	21 20	Belleville.....	64.....	1 10
York.....	23.....	6 70	Dundas	67.....	1 00
Lennox	24.....	3 83	Hickcox	68.....	2 10
Equity	25.....	2 73	Niagara	69.....	8 41
Victoria	27.....	34	Brampton	70.....	43
Fenton.....	29.....	2 32	Fidelity	71.....	28
Shelburne	30.....	2 65	Marine	74.....	1 00
Morrisburg	31.....	97	Pioneer, Q	1.....	4 50
Island	32.....	50	Stadacona, Q	2.....	2 00
Capital.....	33.....	8 92	Jos. Harton.....	.....	1 25
Orillia	34.....	4 35			
Stanhoff	37.....	1 98			
Kemptville	39.....	50			
Gordon	40.....	1 83			
Muskoka	41.....	1 26			
Collingwood	42.....	3 62			
Durham	43.....	1 12			
Waterloo.....	45.....	81			

\$151 82

Amounts due Subordinate Legions: Fergus No. 28.....25c.

SCHEDULE K.

Statement showing the transactions of the Beneficiary Department for the five fiscal years from May 24th, 1883, to May 1st, 1888.

Collected during fiscal year 1883-84	\$ 203 00
" " " " 1884-85	387 00
" " " " 1885-86	737 00
" " " " 1886-87	8808 00
" " " " 1887-88	8293 00
	\$18428 00
less paid out for the redemption of 17 Beneficiary Certificates.....	16597 00
Balance on hand.....	\$ 1831 00

SCHEDULE L.

Balance Sheet pro May 1st, 1888.

DR.		CR.	
To Fergus Legion No 28.....\$	25		
" Brown Brothers	12 58	By Cash on hand Gen. Fund .. \$ 404 36	
" Salary Grand Recorder to date	60 00	" Office Furniture	143 95
" Can. Workman 2 months grant	16 66	" Supplies in stock.....	365 47
" Balance	976 11	" Outstanding accounts.....	151 82
	\$1065 60	\$1065 60	
		By Bal. in favor Grand Legion.. \$ 976 11	

SCHEDULE M.

Register of Certificates, May 1st, 1888.

Legion.	No.	Cert. charged	Ann.	Susp.	Died.	With- drawn.	Good Stdg.
Lincoln	1	46	1	1	..	14	30
Niagara Falls	2	13	..	..	..	1	12
Wentworth	3	40	3	2	1	..	34
Union	4	1	..	..	..	..	1
Star	5	8	1	..	..	..	7
Toronto	6	119	12	..	2	6	99
Cooksville	7	42	9	..	..	24	9
Seguin	8	12	3	..	..	1	8
Bradford	9	27	2	..	..	1	24
Kingston	10	44	4	..	2	..	38
Lynden	11	18	3	2	..	..	13
Iroquois	12	11	3	..	1	..	7
Jarvis	13	..	..	..	..	..	..
Picton	14	42	2	..	..	2	38
Caledonia	15	12	1	4	..	..	7
Kempenfeldt	16	32	..	2	..	..	30
Frontier	17	1	..	..	..	..	1
Wellington	18	30	1	..	1	..	28
Tilsonburg	19	9	1	1	..	..	7
Erin	20	14	2	1	..	..	11
Excelsior	21	46	7	2	..	15	22
Phœnix	22	10	..	..	..	..	10
York	23	62	9	1	1	4	47
Lennox	24	28	..	..	..	..	28
Equity	25	15	2	..	2	..	11
Leopold	26	32	1	2	..	..	29
Victoria	27	9	1	..	..	..	8
Fergus	28	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mansfield	29	29	11	4	..	..	14
Shelburne	30	34	14	3	1	..	16
Morrisburg	31	16	1	..	..	..	15
Island	32	17	..	..	1	..	16
Capital	33	18	..	..	..	..	18
Orillia	34	17	..	17	..	..	..
Eglinton	35	14	3	..	..	..	11
Whitby	36	12	1	..	..	..	11
Stanhoff	37	20	1	1	2	..	16
Dufferin	38	55	2	..	1	..	52
Kemptville	39	16	..	..	1	..	15
Gordon	40	20	2	..	1	..	17
Muskoka	41	15	3	..	..	..	12
Collingwood	42	38	..	1	..	..	37
Durham	43	11	..	..	..	..	11
Empress	44	14	..	..	..	..	14
Waterloo	45	9	..	1	..	..	8
Mystic	46	43	4	..	..	..	39
Lyn	47	11	..	..	..	..	11
Rideau	48	18	2	1	..	..	15
Ontario	49	7	..	..	..	..	7
Jamieson	50	19	2	5	..	..	12
Simcoe	51	20	..	..	..	2	18
Queen City	52	41	4	4	1	..	32
Crystal	53	45	1	1	1	..	42
Tottenham	54	15	1	..	..	..	14
Tamworth	55	26	5	3	..	..	18
Centreville	56	16	2	11	..	3	..
Queensville	57	9	..	..	..	..	9

SCHEDULE M—Continued.

Royal	58.....	12	..	..	..	..	12
Norfolk	59.....	22	..	..	1	..	21
Morpeth	60.....	15	1	1	..	..	13
Howard	61.....	14	..	..	..	1	13
Banner	62.....	26	1	..	..	1	24
Elmvale	63.....	18	..	3	..	..	15
Belleville.....	64.....	12	..	..	..	..	12
Lake	65.....	9	..	..	..	..	9
Dunn	66.....	12	..	3	..	..	9
Iroquois	67.....	16	..	1	..	..	15
Hickcox	68.....	42	2	1	..	..	39
Niagara	69.....	24	..	..	..	..	24
Brampton	70.....	15	..	..	..	..	15
Fidelity	71.....	10	..	..	..	..	10
Hillsburg	72.....	15	..	..	..	..	15
Lorne	73.....	10	..	..	..	..	10
Marine	74.....	16	..	..	..	..	16
Pioneer, Q	1.....	17	17
Stadacona, Q	2.....	31	31
Under charge of Grand Recorder	10.....	10	5	5
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		131	79	20	..	1384	

SCHEDULE N.

List of Legions instituted since May 1st, 1887.

Name of Legion.	No.	Location.	By whom instituted.	Date of Institution
Hickcox	68	St. Thomas ..	D. G. C. Watson....	May 5th, 1887.
Niagara	69	Niagara	P. G. Cdr. Leubsdorf	May 13th, 1887.
Brampton	70	Brampton	"	Oct. 5th, 1887.
Fidelity	71	Ilderton	"	Oct. 18th, 1887.
Hillsburgh.....	72	Hillsburgh.....	"	Jan. 11th, 1888.
Lorne	73	Spencerville ..	D. G. C. Robson	Feb. 11th, 1888.
Marine	74	Amherstburg ..	D. G. C. Watson....	March 2nd, 1888.
Pioneer	1	Montreal	P. G. Cdr. Leubsdorf	March 19th, 1888.
Stadacona	2	"	"	March 20th, 1888.
Lisgar.....	75	Prescott	D. G. C. Robson....	May 23rd, 1888.
Caledon	76	Caledon	D. G. C. Fenton	May 26th, 1888.
Schomberg	77	Schomberg ..	"	June 1st, 1888.

SCHEDULE O.

Statement showing the number of Certificates in force on May 1st, 1888.

Certificates issued in all.....	1614
Of which deduct : Cert. annulled to May 1st, 1887	61
" " since then to date.....	73
Less reinstated	134
Temporarily suspended	79
Certificate-holders died to date	20
Leaving in good standing.....	1384

SCHEDULE P.

Statement showing the number of Beneficiary Certificates issued for the five fiscal years from May 24th, 1883, to May 1st, 1888.

Issued during fiscal year 1883-84	287 Certificates.
" " " 1884-85	310 "
" " " 1885-86	404 "
" " " 1886-87	302 "
" " " 1887-88	311 "

Total issued on May 1st, 1888 1614 Certificates.

Average per year 323 Certificates.

SCHEDULE Q.

List of Beneficiary Certificates Annulled and Cancelled from May 1st, 1887 to May 1st, 1888.

No. Cer.	Name.	Legion.	No.	Date Annulling Certificate.
1229..Stephenson, Wm. H.....	Lincoln	1.....	February 1st, 1888.	
386..Keefer, Robert.....	Wentworth	3.....	July 1st, 1887.	
800..Young, Peter F.....	"	3.....	July 1st, 1887.	
1013..Connell, William.....	"	3.....	April 1st, 1888.	
69..Ramsay, R. H.....	Toronto	6.....	September 1st, 1887.	
358..Shepherd, Edw. H.....	"	6.....	October 1st, 1887.	
432..Caiger, Wm. E.....	"	6.....	September 1st, 1887.	
544..McGill, John	"	6.....	" 1st, 1887.	
807..Lees, Richard D.....	"	6.....	July 1st, 1887.	
1057..McNair, Chas. Stew.....	"	6.....	September 1st, 1887.	
61..Dickson, Wm. Hy.....	Bradford	9.....	September 1st, 1887.	
331..Hindey, Robert J.....	Kingston	10.....	January 1st, 1888.	
243..Ross, Joseph.....	Iroquois	12.....	December 1st, 1887.	
515..Thomson, Rich. S.....	"	12.....	July 1st, 1887.	
104..Ingersoll, Isaac F.....	Picton	14.....	April 1st, 1888,	
553..Palmatier, Nelson	"	14.....	December 1st, 1887.	
891..Kennedy, Thomas	Caledonia	15.....	June 1st, 1887.	
771..Lamond, Geo. W.....	Wellington	18.....	October 1st, 1887.	
912..Gand, Wm. Henry	Erin	20.....	July 1st, 1887.	
279..Bennett, Rich. W.....	Excelsior	21.....	August 1st, 1887.	
732..Pattison, John Hy.....	"	21.....	June 1st, 1887.	
506..Walton, John C.....	York	23.....	" 1st, 1887.	
251..Armstrong, Thomas	"	23.....	April 1st, 1888.	
611..Wilson, William	"	23.....	September 1st, 1887.	
297..Barron, Robert.....	"	23.....	June 1st, 1887.	
659..Donovan, Alexander M.....	"	23.....	July 1st, 1887.	
898..Chapman, Alfred	"	23.....	June 1st, 1887.	
334..Lawlor, Andrew	Equity	25.....	" 1st, 1887.	
492..Warren, Mich. Peter	"	25.....	" 1st, 1887.	
281..Dambach, Edward	Victoria	27.....	" 1st, 1887.	
397..Black, John	Fenton	29.....	May 1st, 1887.	
401..Hillock, James	"	29.....	July 1st, 1887.	
405..Dunseath Richard	"	29.....	October 1st, 1887.	
408..Mitchell, Chas.....	"	29.....	" 1st, 1887.	
410..Whalen, John	"	29.....	November 1st, 1887.	
529..Hannah, Thos. Edw.....	"	29.....	December 1st, 1887.	
556..Stewart, John	"	29.....	September 1st, 1887.	
1131..McLeod, John	"	29.....	July 1st, 1887.	
433..Coulter, Enoch E.....	Shelburne	30.....	January 1st, 1888,	
485..Henderson, Edward	"	30.....	November 1st, 1887.	
675..McKinney, Alexander	"	30.....	" 1st, 1887.	
829..Silk, Jacob	"	30.....	" 1st, 1887.	
858..Patterson, Graham	"	30.....	January 1st, 1888.	

SCHEDULE Q—Continued.

422.. Stibbard, Alexander	Eglinton	35.....	March 1st, 1888.
503.. Leslie, John K.....	"	35.....	October 1st, 1887.
453.. Jameson, Robert H.....	Whitby	36.....	September 1st, 1887.
595.. Curtis, Nelson Hy.....	Stanhoff	37.....	" 1st, 1887.
496.. Bennett, John M.....	Dufferin	38.....	April 1st, 1888.
824.. Newton, Rich'd H.	"	38.....	" 1st, 1888.
520.. Ruthven, John	Gordon	40.....	October 1st, 1887.
712.. Woolverton, Frank E.....	Mystic	46.....	" 1st, 1887.
902.. Smith William Lemuel ..	"	46.....	June 1st, 1887.
792.. Singleton John Hy.....	Rideau	48.....	January 1st, 1888.
794.. Ewing Thomas.....	"	48.....	September 1st, 1887.
757.. Cartier, Robert	Jamieson	50.....	November 1st, 1887.
755.. Hunt, Chas. W.....	"	50.....	May 1st, 1887.
598.. Smith, John B.....	Queen City	52.....	April 1st, 1888.
730.. Jameson, John J.....	"	52.....	June 1st, 1887.
961.. Baxter Burtch B.....	"	52.....	" 1st, 1888.
1092.. Weatherdon, Herbert ..	"	52.....	May 1st, 1888.
1123.. Clarke, Wm. F.	Crystal	53.....	June 1st, 1887.
1089.. Douglass, John	Tottenham	54.....	September 1st, 1887.
940.. Coxall, Chas. George ..	Tamworth	55.....	January 1st, 1888.
942.. Wheeler, Calvin S.	"	55.....	" 1st, 1888.
945.. Douglas, Chas. Hy.	"	55.....	" 1st, 1888.
959.. Fraser, John A.	"	55.....	October 1st, 1887.
969.. Cox, Kobert	"	55.....	September 1st, 1887.
1015.. Miller, John S.....	Centreville	56.....	February 1st, 1888.
1116.. Hinchev, Wm. Jas.	"	56.....	September 1st, 1887.
1025.. Ridley, Thomas H.	Morpeth	60.....	August 1st, 1887.
1198.. Hare, Thomas S.	Banner	62.....	September 1st, 1887.
1345.. Jones, Hy. T.	Hickcox	68.....	Cancelled
1373.. Putnam, Chas. Gordon ..	"	68.....	Cancelled

Annulled Certificates re-instated during the year.

- 169.. Servos, Dan.
- 315.. Wilson, Thomas.
- 78.. Minnes, Thomas D.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER.

To the Grand Commander, Officers and Members of the Grand Legion of the Select Knights of the Ancient Order of United Workmen of the Province of Ontario.

COMRADES,—I have the honor to present herewith my Fourth Annual Report as your Grand Treasurer, showing the financial transactions for the year ending 30th April, 1888.

As the Grand Recorder has given a detailed statement of receipts and disbursements I have thought it unnecessary for me to report them over again.

On May 1st, 1887, I held to the credit of the General Fund.....\$ 580 09
Since that day and up to May 1st, 1888, I received from the Grand Recorder for the fund the sum of 2422 63

Total.....\$3002 72
I disbursed herefrom in paying 65 Warrants..... 2598 36

Leaving a balance of.....\$ 404 36
in my hands this day.

There was in my possession on May 1st, 1887, belonging to the Beneficiary Fund.....\$ 1886 00
I received since then and up to yesterday from the Grand Recorder..... 8293 00

Total.....\$10179 00
From which I paid 8 Warrants amounting to..... 8348 00

Showing a balance of.....\$1831 00
to the credit of the Beneficiary Fund on May 1st, 1888.

I desire again to thank the officers and members of Grand Legion for the confidence placed in me by electing me to the responsible position of Grand Treasurer for the past four years.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

R. G. WRIGHT,

Grand Treasurer.

NAPANEE, May 2nd, 1888.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

Grand Medical Examiner, SELECT KNIGHTS OF THE A.O.U.W.

TORONTO, 3RD MAY, 1888.

To the Grand Commander, Officers and Members of the Grand Legion, Select Knights of the A.O.U.W. of Ontario.

SIR AND COMRADES :

I herewith submit my Fifth Annual Report as Grand Medical Examiner.

The year is included from 1st day of May, 1887, to the 2nd day of May, 1888, both dates included.

The number of applications for the Ontario Beneficiary, received and passed upon from the inception of the scheme until the closing of this report was 1770. The number received each year is herein recorded for facility of reference, and is as follows :

Number 1st year	359
" 2nd "	304
" 3rd "	439
" 4th "	320
" 5th "	348
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Total.....	1770

Of the 348 applications received the past year 321 were approved on first examination, and 8 were rejected for various causes. The remaining 19 were returned for correction or for fuller information, and of that number 11 were on second examination approved and 2 were rejected ; while 6 of those returned for further information have not at the closing of this report reached me the second time.

In some instances considerable time elapses between the date of the application and its receipt at my office, and where such is the case, and I require to secure further information or make enquiry of the references, or family Doctor, the time

is still further prolonged. In some cases very great delay is occasioned which places the applicant in the position of incurring the risk on the one hand of being debarred by lapse of time; and on the other of dying without the family being secured by a beneficiary certificate.

In this connection it may be noted that while 28 more applications were received than in the preceding year, the number of rejections were 3 less. The total number of rejections during the year therefore was 10. The ratio of rejections to the number of applications for the beneficiary was as 1 to 34 4·5. This is a good showing and may be accepted as proof of the care manifested in selecting candidates; and a careful examination by the local Examiners. There has not been a single appeal or complaint made the past year by any Legion or individual against any local Examiner.

Following is the record of rejections the past year, with the reasons therefor :

Case 1. Family history of Consumption, the mother and a sister dying, age 47 and 41 respectively. The applicant aged 38.

Case 2. Family history of Consumption, one parent and two sisters dying of that disease.

Case 3. Rejected on personal history and local Examiner's report.

Case 4. Rejected on report of local Examiner, as well as being over age.

Case 5. Rejected solely on account of being over age.

Case 6. Family History of Consumption—mother died of Consumption. Applicant disqualified under clause 3 of class I.

Case 7. Rejected on account of personal history and present condition—Chronic ailments, and local Examiner's report.

Case 8. Family History of Consumption, and personal condition unfavorable.

Case 9. Family History of Diabetes; and unfavorable report by local Examiner.

Case 10. Family History of Consumption, and applicant over age.

In the rejection of applications, I have been guided by a conscientious desire to protect the best interests of the Order, without doing any injustice to the applicant; and where I have entertained doubts and have not had them removed upon enquiry, I have given the benefits of those doubts to the Order. Nevertheless, I feel that the reasons which have led to rejections the past year will upon examination by unprejudiced comrades, prove to be perfectly valid.

When it is remembered that the source is limited from which the membership of Legions comes ; taken in connection with the age limitation ; and that only a percentage of the A. O. U. W. members require, or can afford the additional beneficiary, it will not be surprising that the demand for the beneficiary should be greatest among these up in years, and hence possessing greater liability to disease. In view of these facts the Grand Legion is to be congratulated on its record and your Grand Medical Examiner is pleased at the small number of rejections he has felt called upon to make.

The applications received from the various Legions were as follows, viz.:—

No.	Name of Legion.	No. of Applic'n's.	No.	Name of Legion.	No. of Applic'n's.
1	Lincoln	3 ..	39	Kemptville	2 ..
2	Niagara Falls.....	7 ..	40	Gordon	2 ..
3	Wentworth	4 ..	41	Muskoka	None.
4	Union	None.	42	Collingwood	5 ..
5	Star	None.	43	Durham	1 ..
6	Toronto	4 ..	44	Empress	1 ..
7	Cooksville	2 ..	45	Waterloo	3 ..
8	Seguin	None.	46	Mystic	6 ..
9	Bradford	3 ..	47	Lynn	1 ..
10	Kingston	4 ..	48	Rideau	None.
11	Lynden	1 ..	49	Ontario	1 ..
12	Iroquois	None.	50	Jamieson	1 ..
13	Jarvis	None.	51	Simcoe	None.
14	Picton	4 ..	52	Queen City	8 ..
15	Caledonia	None.	53	Crystal	6 ..
16	Kempfenfeldt	3 ..	54	Tottenham	4 ..
17	Frontier	None.	55	Tamworth	1 ..
18	Wellington	7 ..	56	Centreville	None.
19	Tilsonburg	1 ..	57	Queensville	2 ..
20	Erin	None.	58	Royal	1 ..
21	Excelsior	None.	59	Norfolk	2 ..
22	Phoenix	None.	60	Morpeth	1 ..
23	York	2 ..	61	Howard	None.
24	Lennox	1 ..	62	Banner	6 ..
25	Equity	None.	63	Elmvale	5 ..
26	Leopold	7 ..	64	Belleville	1 ..
27	Victoria	None.	65	Lake	2 ..
28	Fergus	None.	66	Dunn	15 ..
29	Fenton	1 ..	67	Dundas	6 ..
30	Shelburne	4 ..	68	*Hickcox	42 ..
31	Morrisburg	1 ..	69	*Niagara	16 ..
32	Island	2 ..	70	*Brampton	16 ..
33	Capital	6 ..	71	*Fidelity	10 ..
34	Orillia	4 ..	72	*Hillsburg	16 ..
35	Eglinton	None.	73	*Lorne	10 ..
36	Whitby	None.	74	*Marine	16 ..
37	Stanhoff	2 ..	75	*Pioneer, Q	18 ..
38	Dufferin	9 ..	76	*Stadacona, Q	37 ..

Candidates for new Legions forming 2.

NOTE.—Those indicated with an asterisk are the Legions which were organized since last Report, as far as they have forwarded applications to me.

Of the 67 Legions on my list at the beginning of the year, no less than 19 have sent in no applications for the Beneficiary; while the remaining 48 only sent in 185, less than 4 to each Legion. Not what ought to have been expected.

The 9 new Legions aggregated 163 applications, an average of about 18 each.

It is evident that there is a falling off both in the rate of increase of applications from old legions; and in the number of new Legions forming; for 45 old Legions last year send in 198 applications, while 48 old Legions (or three more than last year) sent in 185 applications this year (thirteen less than last year.) Last year I received applications from 10 new Legions, this year from 9.

Of the number withdrawing from the Beneficiary feature, or dropping out of membership, I have no knowledge; but even if there were no withdrawals, the additions are much below what they ought to be if the vigor of the institution is to be maintained. I fear that when the suspensions, withdrawals and deaths are considered, our progress will not be as satisfactory as we might reasonably expect. We have all a mutual interest in increasing the membership, at least to such point, that the full beneficiary payment of \$2000 will be assured.

The examination of the ages of applicants for the Beneficiary will now as in the past prove not only interesting, but instructive, and furnish food for serious thought. As heretofore, I have grouped the ages in series of five years each.

From 21 to 25 of age inclusive.....	8 applicants.
" 26 " 30 " "	23 "
" 31 " 35 " "	48 "
" 36 " 40 " "	79 "
" 41 " 45 " "	96 "
" 46 " 50 " "	91 "
Over 50 years of age.....	3 "
Total	348

The average age of the 348 was 40. 53 years.

Over one-half applied after the age of	41 years.
Over one-third " " "	44 "
About one-fourth " " "	46 "
Only 1 in each 14½ were under	30 "
About one-eighth entered at the age of	49 "
About 1 in each 5 were.....	48 yrs. or over

I may repeat what I said in my last report that it is reasonable to conclude that unless the average age of applicants be lowered by the admission of more young men, the death rate must be a high average. It is, however, a matter for congratulation that it has remained as low as we find it up to the present time.

The circumstances of occupation has not as yet attained a degree of importance although as a matter of some interest I give a synopsis herewith. The occupations of applicants are classified as follows, viz :— Mechanics 75; farmers 58; mercantile pursuits 56; secretaries, clerks, salesmen, cashiers and bookkeepers 35; contractors, speculators and agents 27; professional men 18; laboring men of various classes 17; retired or without occupation 12; civil servants or municipal officers 8; railroad employees 7; while the remaining 34 may come under the heading of journalists, bankers, superintendents, managers and foremen, telegraph operators, manufacturers, hotel and livery stable keepers.

The height and weight of a candidate together with his girt and chest measurement are important facts in determining the value of a risk. That is to say they should bear certain relationships to each other in all cases, within a certain limitation, and when the proportionate bounds are exceeded, some physical imperfection exists, or the individual is prone to certain diseases or deviations from normal health, in other words were relative proportions vary to a marked extent there is usually discerned some evidence of abnormal condition which to a greater or less extent depreciates the value of a risk. When these variations are characteristic of a family they are not usually quite as important as in exceptional cases.

It may possess interest to some to learn that the average height of the 348 applicants the past year was as nearly as may be 5 feet 8½ inches. The tallest applicant was 6 feet 3 inches and the shortest 5 feet. Among the tall men there were 31 who stood 6 feet or over; while 88 varied from 5 feet 10 inches to, but not including 6 feet. Among the short men 27 stood less than 5 feet 6 inches.

In the matter of weight there was great diversity, from a maximum of 265 lbs. to a minimum of 113 lbs. The average was 162.43 lbs.

Following is a tabulated statement of weights :

1	applicant weighed.....	113 lbs. and another 118 lbs.
8	" " from	120 to 129 pounds.
33	" " "	130 to 139 "
51	" " "	140 to 149 "
68	" " "	150 to 159 "
70	" " "	160 to 169 "
42	" " "	170 to 179 "
34	" " "	180 to 189 "
12	" " "	190 to 199 "
24	" " "	200 lbs. or over.

Of the heavy weights 2 weighed 225 lbs. each ; 2 weighed 230 lbs each ; 1 weighed 250 lbs. ; 1 weighed 255 lbs. and 1 weighed 265 lbs.

The average normal chest girt very nearly approximates 37 inches. The inspiration, and expiration measurements are not so reliable owing to the tendency of applicants to exaggerate the same by muscular effort. The maximum normal girt recorded was 50 inches. This applicant stood 5 ft. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., and weighed 265. His full inspiration recorded 51 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches and his expiration 48 inches. The smallest normal girt was 31 inches. This was recorded in two cases, the one being 5 feet 6 inches, weight 140 lbs ; while the other stood 5 feet 8 inches and weighed 122 lbs.

Another record which I began last year and have continued this, and which if continued over a series of years may yet prove of value in determining the influence of moderate drinking and the use of tobacco on health, or as influencing or determining disease.

Of the 348 applicants

- 86 used neither liquor nor tobacco.
- 140 " both liquor and tobacco.
- 38 " liquor only.
- 84 " tobacco only.

The total using liquor 224.

The total using tobacco 178.

DEATH REGISTER YEAR ENDING 2nd MAY, 1888.

Death No.	Names,	Admission Age	Legion No.	Date of Application Approved.	Date of Death.	Duration of Membership.	Cause of Death.	Remarks.
14	R. Rawlings ..	41	Stanhoff No. 37 ..	561 6th Feb. 1885.	11th Sept. 1887	2 years, 7 mos.	Cancer of Liver.	A little below the average height and weight; used no alcoholic stimulants; smoked moderately. Sick 6 mos.
15	W. T. Kendall ..	49	Norfolk No. 59 ..	1183 28th May 1886.	12th Sept. 1887	1 year, 3½ mos.	Acute Peritonitis.	The average build. Used alcoholic stimulants moderately, Sick 1 week.
16	W. J. Collbery ..	46	Queen City No. 52 ..	1164 15th May 1886.	9th Oct. 1887.	1 year, 4¾ mos.	Typhoid Pneumonia.	An average built man. Used liquors and tobacco moderately. Sick 15 days.
17	Hugh B. Birch ..	49	Stanhoff No. 37 ..	485 13th Dec. 1884.	27th Oct. 1887.	2 years, 11½ mos.	Peri-Nephritic Abscess.	Used liquor and tobacco moderately. Sick 1 year, 6 months. Very ill 7 weeks.
18	W. J. Jenkins ..	45	Crystal No. 53 ..	982 12th Mar. 1886.	28th Nov. 1887.	1 year, 8½ mos.	Apoplexy.	Above the average in height and weight. Used liquor and tobacco moderately. Sick 21 hrs.
19	Wm. B. Little ..	43	Kingston No. 10	84 3rd. Sep. 1883.	22nd Mar. 1888	4 years, 6½ mos.	Progressive Bulbar-Paralysis.	Average build. Used liquor and tobacco moderately. Ill 2½ yrs. Confined to bed 4 days before death.

Referring to the foregoing table, it would appear that the average length of membership of those who died during the past year was about 2 years and five months. The record of 19 deaths in five years is one on which Grand Legion may be congratulated.

The first and only case arising under the Disability clause, was that of W. B. Little who subsequently died, and is included in the Death Register. The total disability was certified by no less than three physicians. Death soon followed the total disability.

Before concluding my report I have to thank the various local Examiner's not only for their painstaking examinations and judicious recommendations of risks, but for their kindness in supplying me with needed additional information when appealed to.

And now in the hope that the near attainment of the full beneficiary will prove an incentive to renewed effort on the part of every comrade; and that my efforts to maintain a high standard for admission to the beneficiary will meet with your approval, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

JOHN S. KING, M. D.,

Grand Medical Examiner S. K. of A. O. U. W.



APPENDIX.

Report of the D. G. C. for North Simcoe, Muskoka and Parry Sound.

J. MCLEAN STEVENSON, Esq., Grand Commander.

Comrade:—I am still unable to report any increase in the number of Legions in this District, and indeed after visiting every A. O. U. W. Lodge but two, I know of only one place where a Legion would be likely to live if instituted and that is in the town of Penetanguishene. I have made three visits to that town on S. K. work and although I have been so far unsuccessful I have not yet given up hope.

Collingwood Legion is, I understand, doing good work. Kempenfeldt No. 16, meets regularly and is slowly increasing. Muskoka Legion has suffered from the disastrous fire in Gravenhurst last fall, but as they now have got into a new hall I trust they will make rapid progress.

I visited Parry Sound last July, but as I had only one evening there and as I did not reach the town till 9 p. m., and had to leave early next morning, I had no opportunity of seeing the Legion in session.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. F. MACWATT,

D. G. C. for North Simcoe, Muskoka and Parry Sound.

Barrie, 28th April, 1888.

Report of the D. G. Cdr. for South Simcoe.

JOHN MCLEAN STEVENSON, Esq., Grand Commander.

Dear Sir and Comrade.—In making this my second annual report as your Grand Deputy for South Simcoe. I am pleased to inform you that the Legions in my District are in a prosperous and healthy condition, slowly but surely increasing their membership and showing a marked improvement from last year.

I have on several occasions visited all the Legions in the district, Cookstown excepted, and installed the Officers of Bradford, Gordon and Tottenham Legions. In another year from now I think we will be able to show still better results.

The various Lodges of the A. O. U. W. in the adjoining counties have been visited by me in the interests of our Order but while I have great hopes to do some work soon, so far I have been unable to institute a new Legion.

Be pleased to accept my hearty thanks for the honor you have conferred upon me by appointing me for the second time as your Deputy and for the many courtesies extended to me.

I remain, Yours fraternally in E. I. and U.

W. R. FENTON, D. G. Cdr. for South Simcoe.

Report of the D. G. C. for Essex, Kent and Elgin Counties.

JOHN MCLEAN STEVENSON, Esq., Grand Commander.

Dear Comrade:—In submitting my report as Deputy Grand Commander for the Counties of Essex, Kent and Elgin, I feel happy in stating that while I cannot report a very marked increase of membership in the Legions situated in the District that they are all holding their members and the Order is not decreasing though inactivity. At the same time I feel strongly that if the members would exercise their influence as individuals and in visiting their Mother Lodge would openly advocate their commendable auxiliary and proclaim our merits and extra advantages, that we would wonderfully increase our membership. I am happy to state that I have been successful in instituting Marine Legion No. 74, in the western peninsula of our Province, at Amherstburg, with a large, influential and energetic membership. I was ably assisted by D. D. G. Cdr, Comrade Peers and predict for Marine Legion a prosperous and profitable career.

The general depression in financial affairs at present and past few years, no doubt is the cause of many Legions being inactive and our noble Order not numerically more rapidly advancing.

I am convinced that if this wave of depression was displaced by a brighter and more hopeful activity, that several Legions could be easily added in this District. There should be one at Kingsville, Windsor, Essex Centre, Tilbury Centre, Aylmer, etc. However I have flattering assurances that it is only matter of time that several Legions will be added to our numbers. I feel that the Grand Officers have acted wisely in using surplus moneys to aid our growth and placing the Order on a stronger foundation by dispensing with the Grand Legion meeting for one session. I take great interest in our Order and think it is deserving of more confidence and support from the members of Subordinate Lodges of the A. O. U. W. I would like to see more enthusiasm with our Comrades and a better attendance at our Legion Meetings.

Thanking all the members of this District for their kindness and courtesy and you Grand Commander for my appointment also the kindness, courtesy and promptness of the Grand Recorder on all occasions,

I am faithfully and fraternally in E. I. & U.,

HENRY WATSON, D. G. C. for Essex, Kent and Elgin.

Clearville, April 28th, 1888.



Report of the D. D. Gd. Cdr. for the County of Addington.

J. MCLEAN STEVENSON, Esq., Grand Commander,

Dear Sir and Comrade:—I am obliged to report an utter failure of effort to get up another Legion in this County during the year just expiring, and also the collapse of one of the previously existing Legions, viz., Centreville No. 56, the charter of which has been surrendered.

Tamworth Legion is struggling on, not getting any new members, and not holding all the old ones, the membership now 20 which was 23 a year ago, but I am glad to be able to say every one of the 20 holds a Grand Legion Beneficiary Certificate, and three Comrades also hold Supreme Beneficiary Certificates.

I have not been called upon to perform any official duties during the year, other than installing Officers of my own Legion, and looking after the Charter, etc., of Centreville Legion.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES AYLSWORTH, D. D. G. Cdr.

Tamworth, Ont., April 30th, 1888.

Report of the D. D. G. C. for Norfolk County.

JOHN MCLEAN STEVENSON, Esq., Grand Commander S. K. of A. O. U. W.

Dear Sir and Comrade,—I beg leave to report that the state of the order in my District is at a very low ebb, there being only the one Legion, that of Norfolk Legion No. 59. Our membership during the year was 20, and I have to report during the term the death of Comrade W. F. Kendall, which left us only 19. Since then we have initiated two candidates, making a total of 21, and there is an application for next meeting night. We intend making an effort to increase the membership, and I think there is a prospect of so doing.

Now that there is to be no session this year, it is to be hoped that with the funds thus saved, some scheme will be adopted to put the organization on a firmer basis, and that an increased membership may be secured.

Yours fraternally,

J. THOS. MURPHY,

Simcoe, April 30th, 1888.

D. D. G. C., Norfolk District.

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Report of the D. D. G. C. for Northumberland County.

J. MCLEAN STEVENSON, Esq. Grand Commander, S. K. of the A. O. U. W.

Dear Sir and Comrade:—As you no doubt are already aware my district comprises one Legion, Royal No. 58, and also four Lodges situated at Cobourg, Colborne, Brighton and Campbellford, the latter is very difficult of access, consequently I have not made a visit there, I have visited Brighton and Colborne Lodges *jointly*, in the interests of the higher degrees, but have not met with any visible success as yet. I have also visited the Lodge at Port Hope, *twice* in my official capacity and endeavored to enlist some candidates for our Legion, but have had no response as yet. I had hoped to have enlarge our Legion from our own Lodge in Cobourg, but all we have actually secured is one new member, and one candidate proposed for membership. I have done my best to set forth the advantage of our Order but whether it is from waste of time, or trying to crowd things too fast, I have not met with the success I would have desired. But still I believe that my work has been appreciated, and that we shall yet have the pleasure of seeing our ranks enlarged in this district.

Several members of Colborne Lodge are thinking the matter over as to joining with the Legion at Cobourg, but as yet are undecided as to what they are going to do in the matter. The only way I believe the Select Knights can be built up is by some active comrade spending a few days with the Legions generally, and the several Lodges adjacent and follow their candidates right into the Legions; at present I cannot spend any time scarce outside of my own town. It means absenting myself from my business or work and consequently a *direct loss* to the comrade at work. Let some means be devised to pay a live man to visit the several Legions, and to be able to spend a day or so with the comrades, and thus bringing a stranger well posted in the working of the Order will often have greater effect upon the majority of the membership than from local companions, or comrades. Whilst things are looking cloudy, I think the clouds are breaking, and that the Select Knights will grow in the same proportion as the A. O. U. W. has done and is doing.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me in again commissioning me to act as the D. D. G. C. for this District.

I remain, Yours fraternally in E. I. & U.

WM. TOMS, Jr. D. D. G. C. for Northumberland Co.

Cobourg, April 30th, 1888.

Report of the D. D. G. C. for Wentworth County.

J. MCLEAN STEVENSON, Grand Commander, S. K. of A. O. U. W.

Dear Sir and Comrade:—I have the honor to report for your information that I as D. D. G. C. for County of Wentworth installed the officers for '88 of Wentworth Legion; No. 3 on January 3rd, and of Mystic Legion No. 46 on January 10, and regret to have to say that neither of these Legions have added greatly to their strength during the past year, but in justice to the comrades of both Legions I am pleased to say have each done their best in trying to induce the Brothers of the A. O. U. W. to join us but in most cases have met with poor encouragement, and as we have to depend entirely upon their patronage for our membership, I am compelled though reluctantly to think that the Order of the Select Knights will never grow rapidly until such time as they become a separate institution.

I am sorry to have to report the death of Comrade John Macdonald, of Wentworth Legion No. 3, which occurred on Tuesday the 8th of the present month, and he being a uniformed member was buried by the Select Knights with military honors, the comrades turned out in full force from both Legions with eighteen swords and the remainder in plain clothes. There are about 800 Workmen in the city, but outside the Select Knights only seven members turned out to pay their last respects to their deceased brother, one only out of the Lodge to which he belonged. This fact alone will give you an idea of the regard in which the Select Knights are held in this city, and I presume from what I hear that it's no better in other places, and I am willing to leave it to any sensible comrade to judge whether the fact of holding a session of Grand Legion this or any other particular year would be likely to influence the members of A.O.U.W. in our favour or otherwise.

I have the honor to be yours in E. I. & U.

Hamilton, May 12th, 1888.

W. H. WOODHOUSE, D. D. G. C.

Report of the D. D. G. C. for the County of Grenville.

JOHN MCLEAN STEVENSON, Esq., Grand Commander.

Dear Sir and Comrade:—As D. D. G. C. for the County of Grenville, I beg leave to submit the following report: In this district there is only one Legion, Kemptville No. 39, of Kemptville. I am very sorry that their Legion has not increased any during the past year.

The numerous fraternal societies now in existence and constantly springing up, affect the regularity and attendance of our meetings, and it is difficult to get a meeting of the members.

Trusting the ensuing year there will be some new Legions started in this district, and a large increase in membership.

I beg to remain, Yours fraternally, in E. I. & U.

E. L. B. CORNELL, D. D. G. C. for County of Grenville.
Kemptville, 2nd May, 1888.

Report of the D. D. G. C. for the County of Frontenac.

J. MCLEAN STEVENSON, Esq., Grand Commander.

Dear Sir and Comrade,—I am sorry to say that since my last report to you a year ago, Kingston Legion, the only one in my district, has not increased much in numbers. Just now it is doing a little better, as we have four applications on hand, which as soon as they have been accepted will give us 41 members in good standing. On March, the 22nd last, we lost a good member through Paralysis of the Throat, Comrade W. B. Little.

I trust that our Order will keep on growing, so that by January, 1889, our Beneficiary Department will be able to pay the full Two Thousand Dollars.

Yours fraternally,

W. K. ROUTLEY, D. D. G. Cdr,

Report of the D. D. G. C. for Middlesex County.

J. MCLEAN STEVENSON, Esq., Grand Commander.

Dear Sir and Comrade:—In obedience to the constitution I have the honor of submitting my annual report of the work done in the County of Middlesex for the year just expiring. The first Legion therein was instituted at Ilderton in October, 1887, by Grand Recorder Leubsdorf.

This Legion was named Fidelity No 71, and has slightly increased since its institution.

Immediately after receiving from you my appointment as District Deputy I entered into correspondence with all the Lodges in the District in reference to our Order, and forwarded to each of them pamphlets explanatory of its objects.

On receipt of favorable reports from Lucan, I visited Lucan Lodge No. 200 on two different occasions, but failed to institute a Legion because the Brethren did not wish to organize with less than twenty Charter members.

Early in March last I visited Fidelity Lodge No. 5 at London, in the interests of our Order giving necessary explanations. Thus far the prospects for an early increase in this Country are exceedingly poor.

Fraternally submitted in E. I. & U.

J. H. MCLELLAN, M. D.,

Lambeth, May 1st, 1888.

D. D. G. C.

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Report of the D. G. C. Leubsdorf.

JOHN MCLEAN STEVENSON, Esq., Grand Commander S. K. of A. O. U. W.

Dear Sir and Comrade,—During the year just closing I have instituted the following six Legions:—

On May 13th, 1887,..... Niagara	Legion No. 69, at Niagara.
On Oct. 5th, 1887,..... Brampton	" " 70, at Brampton.
On Oct. 18th, 1887,..... Fidelity	" " 71, at Ilderton.
On Jan. 11th, 1888,..... Hillsburg	" " 72, at Hillsburg.
On Mar. 19th, 1888,..... Pioneer	" " 1, at Montreal.
On Mar. 20th, 1888,..... Stadacona	" " 2, at Montreal.

all of which are doing well and are constantly increasing their membership.

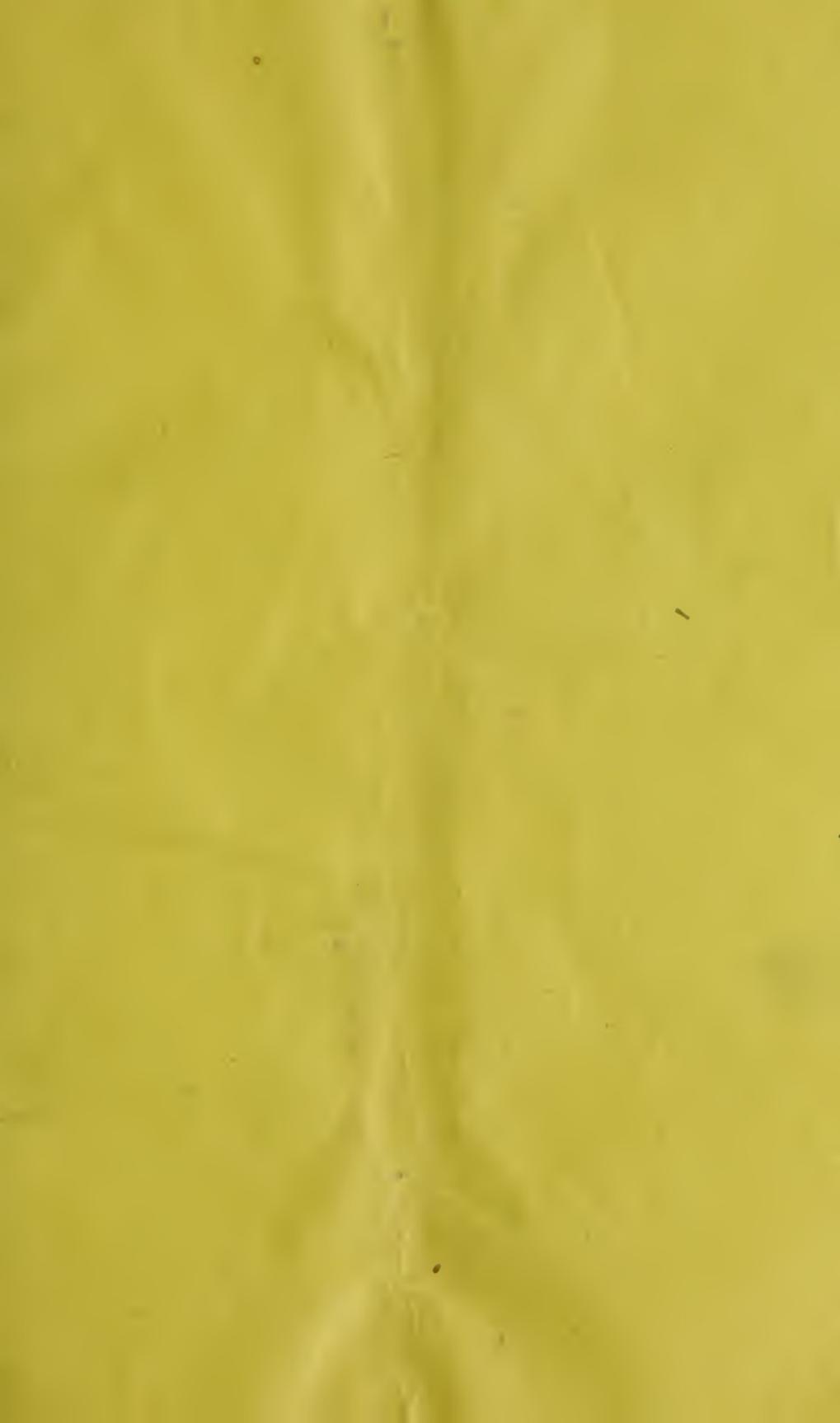
The introduction of our Order into the Province of Quebec by instituting the last named two Legions has given me great satisfaction; not alone because it has added a number of good members to the Order but by laying also the foundation to a new Grand jurisdiction. It has been especially agreed between me in your behalf and the Charter members of both Legions prior to their initiation into the Order, that the representative of each Legion to the sessions of our Grand Legion if in attendance shall not be entitled to any more allowance for Mileage and per Diem than the Legion he represents has paid for P. C. Tax during the year immediately preceding such session.

I have been in constant correspondence with a number of Lodges in the Province as to the formation of Legions, but so far without any result. I also expected to see a good Legion in the City of Winnipeg prior to this date but fear such result cannot be attained without personal visit.

Respectfully submitted in E. I. & U.

St. Catharines, Ont. May 4th, 1888.

B. J. LEUBSDORF, D. G. C.



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